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SUBJECT: ROMANIAN DESIRE PARTICIPATE IN PRODUCER/CONSUMER
DIALOGUE

REF: BUCHAREST 5155

PASS UNDER SECRETARY ROBINSON FROM SORENSON

1. WE HAVE PREPARED FOLLOWING MESSAGE FOR EMBASSY BUCHAR-
EST'S USE IN REPLYING TO GOR REQUEST THAT USG SUPPORT ITS
PARTICIPATION IN DIALOGUE AT PREPCON. IF YOU APPROVE,
RECOMMEND YOU SEND IT IMMEDIATELY TO BUCHAREST.

2. REQUEST YOU INFORM MFA DEPUTY MINISTER OANCEA THAT
USG REGRETS IT IS UNABLE TO AGREE ON BEHALF OF ROMANIA TO
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REOPEN QUESTION OF EXPANDING REPRESENTATION IN MINISTERIAL

CONFERENCE AT PREPARATORY MEETING NEXT WEEK. THE RESUMPTION OF THE DIALOGUE IS BASED ON A LABORIOUSLY NEGOTIATED AND DELICATELY BALANCED CONSENSUS AMONG THE TEN PARTICIPANTS IN LAST APRIL'S MEETING. IT WAS AGREED THAT IN ACCEPTING INVITATION TO RECONVENED MEETING WE WOULD ACCEPT CONSENSUS PROPOSAL ON WHICH RESUMPTION IS BASED. ONE OF KEY ELEMENTS IN CONSENSUS IS TOTAL NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS

IN CONFERENCE AND DIVISION BETWEEN INDUSTRIALIZED AND LDC NATIONS. AN EFFORT BY US AT THIS POINT TO REOPEN THIS BASIC COMPROMISE IS LIKELY TO RESULT IN UNRAVELING FABRIC OF ENTIRE CONSENSUS AGREEMENT. WE DO NOT BELIEVE THIS WOULD BE ACCEPTABLE TO OTHER NINE PARTICIPANTS NOR IN INTEREST OF NON-INVOLVED COUNTRIES.

3. YOU SHOULD EMPHASIZE THEIR DEVELOPMENT OF NEW NORTH-SOUTH RELATIONSHIPS WILL BE CONTINUING AND EVOLVING PROCESS. AT SOME POINT IN THIS PROCESS, OBVIOUS THAT INTERESTS OF SOCIALIST COUNTRIES WILL NEED TO BE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT.

4. UNDER AGREED ARRANGEMENTS PARTICIPANTS FROM DEVELOPED COUNTRIES WILL BE SELECTED FROM OECD MEMBERS. PARTICIPANTS FROM DEVELOPING COUNTRIES WILL BE SELECTED BY ARRANGEMENTS MADE BY SEVEN OPEC/LDC GROUP WHICH ARE TAKING PART IN PREPCON. WE HAVE NO VOICE IN SELECTIONS TO BE MADE BY THE SEVEN BUT WE WOULD NOT DISCOURAGE ROMANIA FROM APPROACHING THAT GROUP FOR CONSIDERATION AS DEVELOPING COUNTRY.

5. SEND REPLY TO BUCHAREST NIACT IMMEDIATE. KISSINGER
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